(iii) The work of 4-laning of Muzaffarnagar-Haridwar section could not be awarded as only single bid was received and the same was cancelled. For re-bidding of this section, updation of Detailed Project Report (DPR) as per new Model Concession Agreement (MCA) as decided by Public Private Partnership Appraisal Committee (PPPAC) is in progress. The Haridwar-Dehradun section is passing through Rajaji National Park and clearance is to be obtained from the Central Empowered Committee constituted by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India. After clearance from Central Empowered Committee and PPPAC, bidding process is to be taken up for award for 4-laning work. It is too early to indicate the completion time of 4-laning work of Muzaffarnagar-Haridwar-Dehradun section at this stage. However, the same may not be completed by 2010 keeping in view the time taken in obtaining the clearance from Central Empowered Committee and PPPAC as well as response of bidders.

Progress of work on NHs

3354. SHRI S.S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of highways projects, including upto six-laning of NHs, approved and implemented since 2000-01 showing the time taken by Government since receipt of proposal for length of construction, in granting of approval, commencing the work, commenced and completed the same in each case, State-wise and year-wise;

(b) the details of proposals, both approved and new, pending as on March 31, 2006 and 2007 showing length and cost estimation of each, State-wise; and

(c) the details of projects received, fund allocations during 2006-07, 2007-08 and 2008-09 indicating State's name, number of projects and lengths thereof and volume of funds allocated in each case?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Unnecessary intersection on NH

3355. SHRI RAJNITI PRASAD: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of intersections allowed in a stretch of one kilometer of highway;

(b) whether six intersections have been made in a stretch of 3 kms. of National Highway No. 2 in front of village Baghai, Tehsil Tundla, District Firozabad of Uttar Pradesh;

(c) whether NHAI has received a representation from local MP and other residents in this regard so as to stop the intersections which are very dangerious leading to major road accidents and criminal activities;

(d) if so, the action taken by Government in this regard; and

(e) if not, by when the unnecessary intersection would be closed for the safety of commuters?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) Median openings are generally limited to